

MINUTES

HEATING, PIPING, COOLING AND SHEET METAL WORK EXAMINING BOARD

APRIL 7, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Acting Chairperson Robert Barrieau at 9:06 a.m. on April 7, 2016 in Room 117 at the State Office Building, 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, Connecticut.

Members Present:

Robert H. Barrieau, Acting Chairperson	Unlimited Contractor
David G. Foster	Unlimited/General Contractor
John T. Higgins, Jr.	Unlimited Journeyman
Michael Rosario	Unlimited Journeyman
Cameron G. Champlin, Jr.	Unlimited Journeyman
Philip H. Benoit	Sheet Metal Journeyman

Members Absent:

Thomas F. Casey, Jr.	Unlimited Contractor
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Board Vacancies:

Four Public Members, Sheet Metal Contractor

DCP Board Staff Present:

Karen Layman, Board Secretary
Richard M. Hurlburt, Director

Others present:

Paul Femia, Dept. of Labor
Kevin St. Pierre
Brian Berendt
Kenneth Ford
Anthony DiGuglielmo
Jeremy Zeedyk
William Kulig
James Meehan
Zach Cochrane

Note: The administrative functions of the Boards, Commissions and Councils are carried out by the Department of Consumer Protection, Occupational and Professional Licensing Division. For information contact Richard M. Hurlburt, Director at (860) 713-6135 or Fax: (860) 706-1255.

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MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING:

The Board will review the draft minutes from the March 3, 2016 Heating, Piping, Cooling and Sheet Metal Work Examining Board meeting.

The Board reviewed the March 3, 2016 minutes and voted unanimously to approve as written.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

None

APPEARING FOR GUIDANCE:

Jacques Berberian, Bloomfield, CT

No action taken; did not appear

Brian Berendt, Providence, RI

Mr. Berendt appeared for guidance. After discussion with the Board, he was advised to contact the Department of Labor for further assistance regarding his apprenticeship hours.

Kevin St. Pierre, Meriden, CT

Mr. St. Pierre appeared to request a waiver for the two-year waiting period to sit for the S-9 examination. After discussion, it was determined that an S-9 application has not been submitted. Mr. St. Pierre was advised to take the S-10 exam, for which he has already been approved, and that he may pursue the request for waiver of time after passing the S-10 exam.

APPEARING FOR RECONSIDERATION:

Zachary Cochrane, Danielson, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied

Mr. Cochrane appeared for reconsideration of his application. After discussion, the Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Cochrane's (S-2) application due to lack of apprenticeship and on the job training.

William Kulig, East Granby, CT – (S-9) Limited Contractor – Denied

Mr. Kulig appeared for reconsideration of his application and submitted additional documentation. The Board voted unanimously to deny the (S-9) application due to

lack of on the job training and lack of apprenticeship. After further discussion, it was noted that Mr. Kulig has held an (S-8) license for the required two year period and is eligible to sit for the (S-7) examination at this time, therefore, Mr. Kulig chose to change the category of the application to the (S-7) category.

APPLICATION FOR RECONSIDERATION:

Brian Karwowski, Middletown, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Karwowski’s (S-2) application due to lack of apprenticeship completion, on the job training, and related instruction.

APPLICATIONS:

Connor Bilodeau, Chicopee, MA – (S-4) Limited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Bilodeau’s (S-4) application.

Matthew Fox, Granville, MA – (S-4) Limited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Fox’s (S-4) application due to lack of apprenticeship completion and related instruction.

Curtis Minggia, New Britain, CT – (S-2) Unlimited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Minggia’s (S-2) application due to lack of apprenticeship, on the job training, and related instruction.

Kevin Roman, Meriden, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Roman’s (S-1) application lack of an S-2 license for the required two year period and lack of a hardship.

NEW APPLICATIONS ADDED TO THE AGENDA BY BOARD VOTE:

Matthew Bishop, Easthampton, CT – (S-4) Limited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Bishop’s (S-4) application due to lack of apprenticeship and related instruction

Gregory Kobuskaitis, Springfield, MA – (S-4) Limited Journeyman – Approved

The Board voted unanimously to approve Mr. Kobuskaitis’ (S-4) application.

Joel Maldonado, Springfield, MA – (S-4) Limited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Maldonado's (S-4) application due to lack of apprenticeship, on the job training, and related instruction.

Andrew Pashos, East Windsor, CT – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Pashos' (S-1) application due to lack of apprenticeship and related instruction.

Angel Tirado, Jr., Bridgeport, CT – (D-2) Limited Journeyman – Denied

The Board voted unanimously to deny Mr. Tirado's (D-2) application due to lack of apprenticeship completion letter.

APPLICATIONS FOR RECONSIDERATION ADDED TO THE AGENDA BY BOARD VOTE:

Anthony DiGuglielmo, Mt. Kisco, NY – (S-1) Unlimited Contractor – Denied

Mr. DiGuglielmo appeared for reconsideration of his application and submitted additional documentation. After discussion, the Board voted unanimously to deny the application due to lack of apprenticeship, on the job training, and related instruction.

Dean Eichhorst, Neenah, WI – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyman

Mr. Eichhorst's application was denied on March 3, 2016 due to lack of related instruction. Additional documentation was submitted for reconsideration. After a review of the documentation and discussion, the Board voted unanimously to deny the application due to lack of related instruction.

Eric Nabbefeld, Appleton, WI – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyman

Mr. Nabbefeld's application was denied on March 3, 2016 due to lack of related instruction. Additional documentation was submitted for reconsideration. After a review of the documentation and discussion, the Board voted unanimously to deny the application due to lack of related instruction.

Allen Philipsen, Appleton, WI – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyman

Mr. Philipsen's application was denied on March 3, 2016 due to lack of related instruction. Additional documentation was submitted for reconsideration. After a

review of the documentation and discussion, the Board voted unanimously to deny the application due to lack of related instruction.

Samuel Phelps, Appleton, WI – (SM-2) Limited Sheet Metal Journeyperson

Mr. Phelps' application was denied on March 3, 2016 due to lack of apprenticeship and related instruction. Additional documentation was submitted for reconsideration. After a review of the documentation and discussion, the Board voted unanimously to deny the application due to lack of apprenticeship and related instruction.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. Request for copy of annual report sent to the joint standing committee of the General Assembly as required in Sec. 21a-8(b) of the CGS

An annual report has not been submitted at this time.

NEW BUSINESS:

The following items were added to the agenda by Board vote:

1. Chapter 20-54h – Public Service Gas Technicians; for the Board's information
2. Maintenance Work License Chapter 393, Draft only, 2017; for the Board's information

CORRESPONDENCE:

1. Letter of complaint regarding the Board's approval of Henry Wasik for D-2 license on September 17, 2015

The Board voted unanimously to refer this complaint and related documents to DCP Trade Practices Division to do an investigation on the legitimacy of the employer letter referred to in this complaint.

DCP TRADE PRACTICES DIVISION:

1. The Board will review the complaint report submitted by the DCP Trade Practices Division including open, closed, and dismissed cases.

A current complaint report was not submitted by DCP Trade Practices Division.

COMMENTS OR CONCERNS OF ANY PERSON PRESENT TODAY:

Jeremy Zeedyk, SM-2 license holder, appeared to inform the Board of his concerns regarding a complaint he had filed with DCP Trade Practices Division.

After discussion, the Board voted unanimously to request that correspondence be sent to DCP Trade Practices Division stating that testing, balancing, and adjusting is a licensable activity. In addition, the Board voted unanimously to request that the case file for Complaint No. 2016-35 be submitted for the Board to review at their next meeting, which will take place on May 5, 2016.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 10:48 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Karen Layman,
Board Secretary

2016 MEETING SCHEDULE:

- **May 5, 2016**
- **June 2, 2016**
- **July 7, 2016**
- **August 4, 2016**
- **September 1, 2016**
- **October 6, 2016**
- **November 3, 2016**
- **December 1, 2016**

Meetings are held at 165 Capitol Avenue, Hartford, CT, Room 117 at 9:00 a.m.